

APPLICATION TO SERVE ON A TEAM PENINSULA RAINBOW EMMAUS

I AM APPLYING TO TEAM ON PENINSULA RAINBOW EMMAUS WALK # _____

NAME: _____ NAME YOU LIKE TO BE CALLED: _____

ADDRESS: _____
Street City State Zip Code

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CHURCH YOU ATTEND AND YOUR INVOLVEMENT _____

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. I WALKED ON _____ AT _____ DATE? _____
2. HAVE YOU ATTENDED A DAY OF DEEPER UNDERSTANDING? (Y / N)
3. ARE YOU ACTIVE IN A REUNION GROUP? (Y / N)
4. DO YOU ATTEND GATHERINGS ON A REGULAR BASIS? (Y / N)
5. DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN EMMAUS COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES? (Y / N)

PREVIOUS TEAM EXPERIENCE (Please list teams by number, when, where, jobs held and talks given)

WHAT MUSICAL INSTRUMENT DO YOU PLAY?

TEAM MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO PAY THEIR OWN WAY ON THE WEEKEND. The teaming fee is \$125.00. If you are unable to make this financial commitment, you are still needed and welcome to serve on a team. Please indicate in the space below if you need financial assistance.

I am requesting financial assistance. I am requesting partial financial assistance. Amt: _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Please mail all TEAM applications to:

PENINSULA RAINBOW EMMAUS COMMUNITY
P.O. BOX 98
HAMPTON, VA 23669-0098

APPLYING AND BEING SELECTED FOR A TEAM

Probably the majority of us would like to serve on a team, and for most, it is a wonderful experience. There are, however, factors about serving on a team that should be considered. Just as we say that EMMAUS is not for everyone in our churches, serving on a team is not for everyone who attends an EMMAUS or CURSILLO Weekend.

First it is mathematically impossible for everyone to be selected. Each weekend, there are about twice as many new members of the EMMAUS community produced as would be required for a future team. The committee responsible for making up teams earnestly tries to see that everyone has a turn, but it must work within certain guidelines. One of the guidelines is that a team should have built-in experience. About one third of the members are teaming for the first time, one third should have previously served on one or two teams, and one third should have been on three or more teams. An effort is also made not to have too many members from the same church.

In addition to the guidelines that the committee follows, there are other factors to be considered. First, beyond the Spiritual Directors, Lay Director, Music Director and Assistant Lay Directors, people are not selected for specific jobs. No one has the authority to promise you a particular responsibility. Everyone must be willing to serve in whatever capacity is needed. If you accept a team assignment, you are making a commitment to be available for that weekend—and for a team meeting once each week for the eight weeks before that weekend. Availability and sacrifice of time is the real requirement.

Finally, each of us must take into consideration the physical and emotional strains that are sometimes encountered while serving on a team. The joy of being on a team is there, but the work and strain are there also. Team members routinely are the first up in the morning and the last to bed at night. Working under pressure is also routine. Everyone on a team must carry his or her full load and be ready to pick up part of someone else's work when the unexpected happens—and it always does. Every team member must also be ready, willing, and able to share his or her faith and love with any and all others on the weekend—literally at any time.

Again, the job and the mountaintop experiences are there, but so is the climbing and the giving. If you decide that being a team member is not for you, there are many other areas of service in EMMAUS. You may want to serve in the background, put more effort in Agape, serve on a committee or fill other important jobs that are necessary for a successful EMMAUS weekend. There is so much to be done that there is no limit to the opportunities for service. Being on a team may or may not be the best way that you can serve—only you know this. If, after praying about it, your answer is YES, please complete the application on the other side and send to PENINSULA RAINBOW EMMAUS at the address printed there. Serving on a team will be a blessing to you and you will be a blessing to others. **You are needed!**